IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re Appln. of: Michael Pech, et al.

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For: A Seat-Belt Pretensioner Conf. No.: 7468

Coupling

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REPLY UNDER 37 C.F.R. §1.116

In response to the Office Action mailed May 23, 2008, Applicants respectfully request reconsideration of the above-identified application in view of the following remarks and amendments. This paper comprises the following parts:

- I. **Listing of Claims**, beginning on page 2;
- II. Remarks, beginning on page 6.

Applicants note that the Transmittal to which this paper is attached includes a Certificate under 37 C.F.R §1.8; and a fee statement calculating any fee(s) presently due in connection with the filing of this paper, along with an authorization to charge any fee deficiency to Deposit Account No. 23-1925.